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In light of the press this has gotten I'd love an update on where we are. Way too much in the public discussion for my liking but that just makes me want to push VSP to move quickly to resolve it one way or the other. If that is happening then fine, just want to confirm they are identifying witnesses and speaking with them as the facts warrant and not dragging their feet.

Also, we discussed recusing the AG. However, should we get to certain points, like requesting an EO investigation that he has to sign off on, I'll be looking for a statutory authority for someone other than him to authorize the same. There is a basis for the Governor to recuse himself, but I don't think there is for the AG in a conflict. At least that is my recollection.

Thanks